What Is Reimbursable and What Is Not?

Some required tasks are just part of the job, and cannot be claimed to Medi-Cal for Reimbursement.

Vocational Examples

	Reimbursable		Non-Reimbursable
•	Assist the client in considering how the Boss' criticism affects him/her and strategies for handling criticism.	•	Visiting a client's job site to teach him/her a job skill.
•	Responding to the employer's call for assistance when the client is in tears at work because client is having trouble learning a new cash register (self-regulate and concentrate on the task of learning the new skill).	•	Providing hands-on technical assistance to the client regarding how to use a computer.

Educational Examples

	Reimbursable		Non-Reimbursable
•	Sitting with a client in a Community College class the first time and	•	Assisting the client with his/her homework.
	debriefing the experience afterward.		nomework.
•	Assisting the client with the	•	Teaching a typing class on site at an adult
	arithmetic necessary to help him/her		residential program in preparation for
	manage their household budget.		entry to a formal job training program.
•	Assisting a client to find tutorial help in	•	Teaching an English class/typing class.
	English.		

Recreational and Socialization Examples

	Reimbursable		Non-Reimbursable
•	Helping the client improve his/her communication skills during a recreational activity.	•	Playing basketball with the client or taking them to the beach.
•	Helping the client learn better social skills so he/she will be better able to interact with people.	•	Playing cards or any other games with a client or groups of client.

Other Non-Reimbursable Activities

	Non-Reimbursable				
•	Travel time between two provider sites (two billing providers).				
•	 Explaining: HIPAA & obtaining signature Consent for Treatment & obtaining signature Advanced Health Care Directive & obtaining signature. 				
•	Completing face sheets for opening clinical record.				
•	Translation/Interpreter service.				
•	Supervision time.				
•	Services after the death of a beneficiary (client).				
•	Leaving a note on a door or making a phone call from the location.				
•	Scheduling or re-scheduling an appointment.				
•	Phone calls to remind clients of appointments, including leaving a message on an answering machine.				
•	Faxing, copying, emailing, and other clerical activity.				
•	Completing SSI applications.				
•	Transportation services.				
•	Payee related services.				
•	Conservatorship investigation.				
•	Missed appointments (and no services provided).				
•	Home or personal care services performed for the client.				